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Re: Project Report: Ground Penetrating Radar Survey:
Mine Drift Location, Interstate 70, East of Hidden
Valley Exit

Geo-Recovery Systems performed a ground penetrating radar (GPR) survey at the referenced project site on May 14, 1995. The purpose of the survey was to identify mine drifts in the alluvial material underlying Interstate 70 east of the Hidden Valley exit. The investigation was performed approximately one week after a sinkhole developed in a portion of the I-70 in the east bound passing lane.

EQUIPMENT

A GSSI Subsurface Interface Radar System-8 with 300 MHz and a 80 MHz antennas were fielded to acquire the radar data. Subsequent field tests concluded the 80 MHz antenna yielded the desired resolution and depth of penetration to accomplish the task objectives.

DISCUSSION

Surveyed Area

The GPR survey starts approximately one half of a mile east of mile marker 243, extending for 2000 feet east of that point and includes the recent sinkhole area. The limits of the survey and station locations (in 50 foot increments) are depicted on the

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roadway in yellow paint. GPR data was collected in the travel and passing lanes in both the east and west bound directions.

To expedite data collection, GPR profiles were collected continuously in each lane over the entire 2000 foot survey length. Each lane was driven with the GPR system and operator residing in the van with the antenna and an operator following approximately 30 feet behind the van. To maintain a lateral location within the lanes, the outside wheel of the antenna followed the inside and outside shoulder line of each lane.

Findings

Numerous void-like anomalies were identified during the survey. At the time the survey was performed, the locations of two of the most apparent anomalies observed were painted on the pavement with green paint. These anomalies are located in the east bound travel and passing lanes at 297 and 895 feet, respectively (Figures 6 and 4).

Figure 1 through Figure 9 represent sections of the GPR profiles containing anomalies of potential interest as indicated in Table 1. We believe that the anomalies identified in this report warrant verification by drilling.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these services for CDOT. Please call if you have any questions, or require additional information.

Sincerely,

GEO-RECOVERY SYSTEMS, INC.

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TABLE-1
LIST OF GPR ANOMALIES
AS IDENTIFIED WITH THE 80 MHZ. ANTENNA

DIRECTION	LANE	LOCATION (In Ft.)	COMMENTS
East Bound	Travel	132 Ft. 297	Painted on highway
		402	12 Ft. East of culvert
·		407	17 Ft. East of culvert
East Bound	Passing	265 to 300 Ft.	Area looks disturbed
r		403	8 Ft. east of culvert
		668	Small deep anomaly
		895	Painted on highway

West Bound Passing 685 Ft.

Disturbed Area

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